

HOUSE BILL 4106
By Maddox

AN ACT to repeal Chapter 255 of the Private Acts of 1982,
relative to the exercise of juvenile court jurisdiction in
Weakley County.

WHEREAS, Chapter 255 of the Private Acts of 1982 created a separate juvenile court in
Weakley County; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-1-203, provides that the general
sessions court shall exercise juvenile court jurisdiction except in counties or municipalities
wherein juvenile courts are specially provided for by law; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. In the event the office of juvenile judge of Weakley County shall become
vacant for any reason, effective immediately upon that vacancy Chapter 255 of the Private Acts
of 1982 shall be repealed. Upon repeal of Chapter 255 of the Private Acts of 1982, the general
sessions court of Weakley County shall, from that date forward, exercise juvenile court
jurisdiction and have all duties, powers and authority of a juvenile court as provided in
Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37, or any other general law.

SECTION 2. In the event that Chapter 255 of the Private Acts of 1982 is repealed, the
base compensation of the general sessions judge of Weakley County, as adjusted by any
applicable cost-of-living increases and any other supplements to that salary, shall be increased
by twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) per annum.

SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or
circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the
act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end the
provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 4. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of Weakley county prior to August 31, 2006. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of such legislative body and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 5. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective upon being approved as provided in Section 4.